Chaplain Steve White, Kelso Police Department, gave the invocation. Mayor David Futcher led the flag salute. The Regular Meeting of the Kelso City Council was called to order by Mayor Futcher. Councilmembers in attendance were: Futcher, Karnofski, Slater, Myers, McDaniel, Roberson, Malella, and Student Representative Jim McDaniel.

Minutes: Upon motion by Councilmember McDaniel, seconded by Councilmember Malella, 'Approve the minutes of the 7/15/08 Regular Meeting,' motion carried, all voting yes.

PROCLAMATION:

Mayor Futcher read a Proclamation declaring August 5, 2008, as "National Night Out" in the City of Kelso. Chief of Police Wayne Nelson accepted the proclamation, read a list of businesses that sponsored the event, and thanked Captain Verne Thompson, Captain Andy Hamilton, and Parks Department Personnel for putting the event together. Chief Nelson encouraged citizens to become involved in helping to prevent crime.

PRESENTATIONS:

Mayor Futcher read a letter from the Washington Finance Officers Association congratulating **Brian Butterfield**, Finance Director, for receiving the "**Professional Finance Officer Award**" for the State of Washington. This is the sixth year Brian has earned this award.

On behalf of the Safeway employees, Kelso Safeway Local Manager Sheryl Ebert presented a check in the amount of \$4,205.37 to the Cowlitz Indian Tribe. A representative from the Cowlitz Indian Tribe thanked the Safeway employees and indicated the funds would be used for domestic violence purposes.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE:

<u>Jim McDaniel, Kelso High School ASB President</u>: 1) The Leadership Conference will be August 14 and 15. 2) Football practice will begin August 19th.

CITIZEN'S BUSINESS:

<u>Leigh McKeirnan</u>, 146 S. Vista Way, Kelso, spoke about grants that may be used for the Bevins Property.

CONSENT AGENDA:

<u>Liquor License Application – Change of Corporate Officers/Stockholders:</u> Freeway Shell Food Mart, 115 Kelso Drive

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New Liquor License Application: Izzy's Pizza, 1001 Grade Street

Upon motion by Councilmember McDaniel, seconded by Councilmember Myers, 'Approve the Consent Agenda,' motion carried, all voting yes.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

<u>City Manager Paul Brachvogel</u> said he is proud of the Kelso Police Department. Paul asked the staff and Councilmembers to give their reports at the next Council Meeting.

Upon motion by Councilmember McDaniel, seconded by Councilmember Slater, 'Move to Adjourn,' motion carried, all voting yes. The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

MAYOR

CITY CLERK